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President:	Mr. Lavrov	(Russian Federation)
Members:	Chile	Mr. Somavía
	China	Mr. Qin Huasun
	Costa Rica	Mr. Sáenz Biolley
	Egypt	Mr. Elaraby
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	Poland	Mr. Wlosowicz
	Portugal	Mr. Monteiro
	Republic of Korea	Mr. Choi
	Sweden	Mr. Liden
	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Sir John Weston
	United States of America	Mr. Richardson

Agenda

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The meeting was called to order at 10.15 a.m.

Welcome to the Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Kenya

The President (*interpretation from Russian*): I should like, at the outset of this meeting, to acknowledge the presence at the Council table of the Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Kenya, The Honourable Stephen Kalonzo Musyoka, EGH, MP. On behalf of the Council, I extend to him a warm welcome.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

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The President (*interpretation from Russian*): I should like to inform the Council that I have received a letter from the representative of Liberia, in which she requests to be invited to participate in the discussion of the item on the Council's agenda. In conformity with the usual practice, I propose, with the consent of the Council, to invite that representative to participate in the discussion, without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

There being no objection, it is so decided.

At the invitation of the President, Mrs. Osode (Liberia) took a seat at the Council table.

The President (*interpretation from Russian*): The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda. The Council is meeting in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations.

Members of the Council have before them the twenty-third progress report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Observer Mission in Liberia, document S/1997/478.

Members of the Council also have before them document S/1997/493, which contains the text of a draft resolution prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

It is my understanding that the Council is ready to proceed to the vote on the draft resolution before it. Unless I hear any objection, I shall put the draft resolution to the vote now.

There being no objection, it is so decided.

A vote was taken by show of hands.

In favour:

Chile, China, Costa Rica, Egypt, France, Guinea-Bissau, Japan, Kenya, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Sweden, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America

The President (*interpretation from Russian*): There were 15 votes in favour. The draft resolution has been adopted unanimously as resolution 1116 (1997).

The Security Council has thus concluded the present stage of its consideration of the item on its agenda.

The Security Council will remain seized of the matter.

The meeting rose at 10.20 a.m.